

Senate Standing Committee on Economics
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education Portfolio
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AGENCY/DEPARTMENT: INDUSTRY, INNOVATION, SCIENCE, RESEARCH AND TERTIARY EDUCATION

TOPIC: Paid Parental Leave

REFERENCE: Written Question – Senator Bushby

QUESTION No.: AI-246

1. Please list how many staff in each portfolio department and agency are eligible to receive payments under the Government's Paid Parental Leave scheme?
2. For this financial year to date list which department/agency is providing its employees with payments under the Government's Paid Parental Leave scheme? Please list how many staff are in receipt of these payments.

ANSWER

1. For all Departments and Agencies:

All employees with more than 12 months service who earn less than \$150,000 per annum and are the primary care giver of the child are eligible to receive payment under the government's Paid Parental Leave Scheme. As eligibility is based on primary caring responsibility, the number of eligible staff cannot be identified.

2. The number of staff in receipt of payments for the financial year to date is as follows:

DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY, INNOVATION, SCIENCE, RESEARCH AND TERTIARY EDUCATION - 10

AUSTRALIAN INSTITUTE OF MARINE SCIENCE (AIMS) -1

IP AUSTRALIA - 10

AUSTRALIAN INSTITUTE OF ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER STUDIES (AIATSIS) - 0

AUSTRALIAN RESEARCH COUNCIL (ARC) - 2

COMMONWEALTH SCIENTIFIC AND INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH ORGANISATION (CSIRO) - 41

AUSTRALIAN NUCLEAR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY ORGANISATION (ANSTO) – 5

Please note – as this information is as at 29 February 2012 this does not include figures for Outcome 3 and associated Agencies which is transferring from the Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations due to the recent Machinery of Government.